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WARRENTON.

Bradburn's livery stable had caught afire last night instead of the night before. Warrenton might have escaped partial destruction. Very likely the trivial fact that the stableboy dropped his lighted elgarette on a hay bale a few hours too soon cost this charming little city some \$75,000. Yesterday a good rain fell, soaking everything and replenishing the all but dried-up water supply. But, as luck would have it, the fire caught the town with an empty reservoir and houses, fences and lawns as dry as

confidently looks to see it robuild better than ever. This interesting place famous all over the Atlantic States. A great many people in the North who know nothing of our much larger cities know all about Warrenton. It is talked about wherever sportsmen country, it has gradually drawn about itself a growing colony of well-to-do Englishmen, who reproduce something of the conditions of country life in the this its out-of-State visitors include many well-known people who are never seen in bigger Virginia cities. As a resort and pleasure place, offering both sport and plenty of good society, Warrenton's reputation goes far beyond the boundaries of the State. All of us will hope that its misfortune will be quickly overcome, and that it will continue to thrive and prosper in its own very delightful

GIVE SOMETHING TO THIS HOME. For evident reasons every newspaper of any size steadily declines to indorse itable bazaars, benefit suppers and the like. There are so many of these affairs, and most of them are so commendable in every way, that if the custom of pushing them in the editorial columns were once established. there would soon be little room for anything else. The prohibitive rule, therefore, is pretty solidly fixed in this office. But The Times-Dispatch has before now cheerfully broken it in favor of the Home for Needy Confederate Women, and gladly does so again this morning. To-day and toprrow are the annual donation days clothes, food, books, indeed of anything useful, are earnestly solicited. will give what they can according as

The Confederate Home is like no men whose husbands were Confedits support in this noble work largely both sides of the fence, in the case veterans we have provided pensions. member. Many of them played a great talk a great deal about how much we

"BANQUETS."

language;

When will some city have enough originality to banquet a public man upon roast beef and fried potatoes, followed by rice pudding and black cof. a great municipal ideal.

The question is rhetorical; we dare not attempt to answer it with dates the promoters. The critics have an and places; but we say without fear easy weapon, too. They have only to of contradiction that the day indi- whisper about that the promoters have cated will be a very proud occasion jammed through and unloaded this unin"the American history of gastron-

Our formal six-cylinder "banquets" to great men have long been a nutsance and a horror. They are a delight to the hotel which gets the con- vide easy jobs at the public crib &r tract, a living terfor to the conscious. looking gentlemen at the speaker's table, and an interminable bore to and muck is promptly answered with everybody clas. Fathoms deep is the feast of reason and the flow of soul. Believing that facts and results are

buried beneath a vast waste of food. It is the pride of the committee to block out and put over a menu as long the only noblesse oblige that banquet sort, it is a great triumph for the comconceived as computing hospitality on an adding machine and as having a stomach as big as all outdoors.

the banquet menu into simple terms, we at once recall the case of the newrich miner who, hopelessly puzzled by the French names on the carte du jour, defiantly bawled out an order for \$300 worth of ham and eggs. Even in pretty good places you can get a considwhen the fight against consumption france, has been receiving his paptial was the work of a few spectacled, mifood for about \$1.25. The eleven extra courses which the committee runs in for the looks of the thing is sheer the very term "tuberculosis" had a training and education, and at Mellia. waste. It is a fact that people are mysterious and pseudo-professional the eyes. Usually they go to get their couraging process. Now this spirit has names in the papers and show the definitely and forever passed. Billpostzens; and sometimes they go hoping that the toastmaster will call on them for a few impromptu remarks which, reduced to writing earlier in the day, are lying safe in their inside pockets at the moment. Least of all are the guests of honor and the speakers, hungry. In the pit of their in'ards is an empty sickish feeling which makes the thought of provender odious. It comes from looking at their names in comes from looking at their skilful artists design posters fewer-stricken to a very dangerous deference.

His elder brother, the Duke of Oricans on several occasions tender their forms and papermakers tender their forms and papermakers tender their forms and papermakers tender lither forms and papermakers tender li The Times-Dispatch offers its sin-cere condolences to Warrenton, and suests of honor and the speakers fer their support. Great as is this hungry. In the pit of their in ards is material aid, it is less than the influcomes from looking at their names in print on the bill of fare and realizing what lies before them. There they was of war are wanting. If the wast lies before them. There they sit with small nervous smiles on their faces, looking about them glassity, petending to that with insouciant ease and enjoy the whirl of serial dist, but now and then their lips move dumbly as they try over once again some bit from their speeches to follow, and now, and then paper crackles as they steal another peep at their manuscripts, and now and then out of the endless agony of food they ask of the endless agony of food they are not yet strong enough to be successful. Indeed, every Mothers there in the morning, some stupened listener starts from his fitful doze and defaulty pushes back his chair. Soon thereafter the sleepy-eyed arbiter of the endless the word of more faces, looking about them glassity, pretending to that with insouciant faces, looking about them glassity, pretending to chat with insouciant the sake and enjoy the whirl of serial dist, be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be things must be supplied. If it is to be the despread all these things must be supplied. If it is to be the despread all these things must be supplied. If it is to be foregather. Long renowned as the pretending to that with insouciant motherland and add much to the social as they steal another peep at their prestige of the town. Warrenton has a very distinct and definite character the endless agony of food they ask of as a sporting centre, and because of their souls: "How long, O Lord, how

thereafter the sleepy-eyed arbiter bibendl gives the word of merciful release; the guests leap from their seats as one man, rush the cloakroom and emerge into the cool dawn to meet the milkman on his morning rounds; and if any all-night restaurant happens to be doing business in that neighborlittle to eat. A dinner of beef and potatoes would stay the inner man at all events; it would delight listener and speakers alike; it would reduce the running time between hors d'oeuvres and bed at least one-half; it would turn a notorious bore into some thing like a pleasure; and incidentally it would save about \$19.65 per plate, which in these days of stiff prices and high cost of living would be no light

MUCKRAKERS AND THE LIGHT

A favorite weapon of disputants who at the Home, and gifts of money, lack the intelligence required to debate is assault upon the motives of those We hope very much that our readers versary's logic seems unanswerable don't pay any attention to it. Try

to discredit your adversary. Throw some mud at him personally. Attriother benevolent institution in the bute to him all the dirty impulses and city or State. It should appeal to sinister designs you can think of icing near the Pole.

Southern hearts in a very peculiar and Drown out his presentation of facts distinctive way. It aims to shelter with shouts that he is crooked. This the declining years of destitute wo- is a well recognized habit of human nature, especially familiar to editors erate veterans, and is dependent for We see it excellently illustrated, on

upon voluntary contributions. For the of the municipal electric plant here. On one side, we find those interested in addition to honoring and privileging in promoting this enterprise busily them in every way we can. It is not discrediting those who see in it someright or creditable that their widows thing less than perfection. Of course, should be overlooked in the daily the way is very plain. The promoters ministrations. These women stand have only to whisper about that the for much that we are all proud to re- critics are intimate friends of the Virginia Railway and Power Company, and heroic part in the making of the oither secret paid agents or loving adhistory of half a century ago. We mirers who place the interests of that corporation above the interests of the think of the women of the Confeder- people, and would not for anything acy; we frequently mention putting up see its revenues pared down by a monuments to them; some of us never penny. As a wolf-cry "Corporations!" speak of them without going into quite is not so good as it was in the palmy passion of ardent rhetoric. Here is days of three or four years ago. In a chance to express some of that rich- fact, in different parts of the South ly-deserved regard and reverence in the people have been rather busy of a practical way which should instant-ly commend itself to everybody. power. However, it is still serviceable with those who rarely think fo The suggestion which we have all themselves, and has been used with been waiting for is here at last. It some effect as a silencer of opposition is the San Francisco Argonaut which in this electric light plant matter. Peo makes it, in the following graphic ple who can believe anything that they need to have doubtless believed this and have thus been logically convinced

> of this enterprise looking askance at dertaking upon the taxpayers, not at all to serve the interests of the taxpayers, but simply to secure the dispensation of hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of patronage and to prothose who know how to get them, Thus the exchange of dirt is equalized

as much easier to get at with some certainty of being fair, and that logic is a as from here to Christmas, this being bigger thing than personal attack. The Times-Dispatch has lent no support to committees ever recognize. Into the the mud-spattering of either critics heavy list they dump every dish that or promoters. This paper prefers to cooks can be induced to think of and avoid altogether the very dangerous guests persuaded to pay for. If the and treacherous ground of personal affair can be shoved up into a twenty- motives. We think it worth while at this time, however, to point out that the critics are no more lacking in mittee. Also it is deemed a signal these contraband missiles than are the promoters. Indeed, it will seem to many disinterested judges that they

NEW WARRIORS OF THE NEW CRU-

have rather the best of it.

Now nobody needs \$20 worth of food to stay his hunger. If we translate Nothing better illustrates the menace of the white plague than the extent of the forces enlisted to fight it. Nothing shows more clearly the strength of BY never very hungry at banquets. They savor, the enlistment of volunteers to don't go there to stodge themselves to war on the disease was a slow and disworld that they are prominent citi- ers contribute their boards and ser-

hood they usually make for it and get something to eat. For every one has noticed that at banquets, though there are now southern people would be rather interesting to see now southern people would for-

not to waste our front-page space any

We should say offhand that Standard Oil is more dissolute than dissoluted. It is our opinion that Nicaragua

ought to be bound over for \$50 to keep

God's Gift to All.

teous harvest of Autumn's rich Is i easured to mortals with plenty for all labor and strive in ambition's broad Who And gather the blessings of Nature that fall.

Through long summer days in the hot, broiling sun, e reaper tells on with a resolute skill, tasks which the sluggard avoided are Then claims the reward of a diligent will.

With unflagging faith and a courage to dare, e soul must pursue amid darkness and din. If it fain would rise, like a lark in the air,
Above the despeir that seems surging
within.

Each heart should feel grateful and echo with praise,
In peaceful thanksgiving of mercy and
w mirth, w mirth, and live to let live as in pioneer days When Pligrims of Liberty worshiped the

Thile Nature repairs to her wintry abode. She leaves a grand feast in proud triumph gladden and soften life's temporal load, hat falls as a duty on struggling man-kind. GEORGE SANDS JOHNSON,

PRETENDER'S HEIR IN SPANISH ARMY

European Rulers, However, Do Not Care to Accept Such "Royal" Service.

MAVROYENI BEY'S LINEAGE

Former Turkish Minister to Washington Comes of Dis-

tinguished Ancestry. LA MARQUISE DE FONTENOY. Nothing, in turn, makes the outcome more certain than this very diversity. When the fight against consumption of the children is pretender to the throne of the sand distinguishing is paptism. training and education, and at Mellia has been serving as an officer of the Naval Brigade, landed in order to coperate with General Marina's military forces against the Riff Moors. The sanitary conditions at Mellia are altogether abominable, the Water supiance service deplorable. Under the circumstances, it is not astoffishing that he should have just been invalid-ed home; not wounded, it is true, but fewer-stricken to a very dangerous de-

Seep the activations and secting of wancety that should present yet and consult present the following the should be should be

Signs of Mr. Taft's amazing optimism multiply. Now he declares that a expects great things of Congress.

For one thing you can spend a little time being thankful you are not a miner out in Cherry. Ill.

"The chestnut is disappearing," any a man who very likely bores his friends to 'death with 'em.

The chestnut is disappearing," any a name who very likely bores his friends to 'death with 'em.

The great trouble is that if Congress takes up the football problem, we are almost certain to see the game revised upward.

If there is one thing needed to make a Hannyracker turkey absolutely and pluperfectly ideal, it is a large dishi of little star-eyed blonde-made cranberry sauce sitting demurely on the side.

The Nourmahal is herewith invited not to waste our front-page space any more.

medical science in Turkey, but likewise often preserved his Greek corealigionists in the Ottoman empire
from Mosiem persecution and oppression. Unfortunately, in his old age
Spiridion Mavroyeni became infatuated with the waltress of one of the
cafe chantantes at Constantinople, and
married her. Her behavior as his wife,
however, created such an amount of
scandal that even Abdul Hamild was
shocked, and forced his physician to
divorce her. Matters might have stopped there, had not the old doctor then
lost his heart to a young French modiste. This was adding insult to injury in the eyes of the divorced Mme.
Mavroyeni Pasha, and accordingly she
found means of communicating to the
Sultan the information that her exhusband was in the habit of keeping
a dlary about the Padishah's health
for the purpose of demonstrating the
fact that he was mentally afficted, and
as such unfilted to reign.

Greatly alarmed, the Sultan gave or
ders for the immediate arrest of Mavroyeni Pasha, and at the same time
for the dismissal in disgrace of his
son from the post of envoy at Washington. Fortunately for the physiclan, the Sultan took it into his head
to himself direct the inquiry into his
condact; and after the old gentieman
had lain for some time in prison, he
was brought before the Padishah. To
him he explained that the diary, far
from being designed to injure His Majesty, was kept solely for the purpose
of refuting any charges that might be
made against his sanity; that no other

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Daily Queries and Answers

Address all communications for this column to Query Editor, Times-Dispatch. No mathematical problems will be solved, no coins or stamps valued and no dealers' sames will be given.

Jefferson and Meyer's Fires, Kindly tell me the dates of the Jef-ferson and Meyer's fires T. J. H. The Jefferson Hotel fire was on March 30, 1901; the Meyer fire on April 11, 1901.

What length of time would a person have to live in Reno, Nev., or in Sloux Falls, S. D., to obtain a divorce?

ANXIOUS.

In Nevada six months; in South Dakota one year.

Woman Suffrage.

I have recently heard it stated that in every State in which the right of suffrage has been given women that the saloons have been voted out. Please answer in your Query Column whether this is true or not. CONSTANT READER.

Tallest Mén. Etc.

Please publish in your column the name and height of the tallest man in the world to-day; also the height and name of the smallest.

AREADER.

These questions are much disputed, and answers have never been given with any degree-of certainty. Some of our readers may offer suggestions.

Methodist Conference Agnin.

When the Methodist ministers met in Newport News the 11th, was the meeting a regular church conference or an anti-saloon meeting?

SUBSCRIBER.

The Virginia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Inventious and Inventors.

1. Please publish a list of the inventions of the inneteenth and twentieth centuries and the inventors.

2. Which is correct. "I received a letter from him" or "I received a letter of him"?

1. Such a list would occupy this entire column, and would not then begin to be complete.

Eu 2. You may either say "I received a letter of his" or "I received a letter of him."

Please give me the declination the magnetic needle at Richmond ft 1800-1910. READER.

1800-1910. READER.
The present declination is 4 degrees
10 minutes 30 seconds west, with an
annual change of +3. So far as we
know, this declination is uniform. If
you will write to the office of the
United States Coast Geodetic Survey.
Washington, D. C., they can probably
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Automobile Regulations.

John Armstrong Chaloner kindly furnishes the following digest of the State automobile law:

The owner, driver or occupant of any such automobile or machine snall keep a careful look ahead for the approach of horseback riders or vehicles drawn by horses or other animals, and upon the approach of such riders or vehicles shall slow up, give ample to the policy of the counter with stamps? M. Y. The Post-Office Department was relatively furnishes the following digest of the State automobile aw:

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very rarely reproduce anything but an inferior type. The great thorough-

inferior type. The great thorough-bred race winner Sysonby was only a freak, and not a perfect type of horse-flesh, and he died (as many others do) soon after winning his great race. He was picked and "shaped up" for the purpose of winning a certain race, and

proof in the world existed which could

proof in the world existed which could go clearly confuse any conspiracy of the Shielith-ul-Islam, such as that, for instance, which had resulted in the deposition of Sultan Murad, on the ground of lunacy, and that if the Shelkh, or any other leading dignitaries of the Mostem Church, were to attempt to issue a fetvah proclaiming him (Abdul Hamid) insane, he (Mavroyeni) could come before the world with a full and detailed account, running over a score of years, showing by indisputable proof. His Majesty's sanity.

ning over a score of years, showing by indisputable proof His Majesty's sanity.

That, he added, was the sole object he had in view in keeping the diary, and he asked the Suitan to see that the diary be continued for the sake of his own preservation. The result of this excuse or explanation, which ever way one likes to put it, was that the old physician was restored to higher favor than ever, while his son by way of compensation for the loss of the mission to the United States, was appointed Governor of Samos, with the title of prince.

This office he held until his father's death, when he was again dismissed. Now the Mayroyanis are once more coming to the fore at Constantiapple, and playing an important role in the new regime. That is why it may be of interest to recall our old friend, the Turkish minister at Washington, and to correct the misapprehensions which have existed concerning his family.

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The great thorough-

or this column to Query Editor, Timesmis will be solved, no coins or stamps
I be given.

and if signaled by such rider or occupant of such vehicle shall immediateby bring his (the automobilists) nanmine to a full stop and allow ample
room and time to allow such rider or
obey her rider or said vehicle, the
operator or occupant if a male, of any
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any provision or condition herein set
forth, shall for each offense be fined
not less than 110 or more than \$100,
or imprisoned in fair lives that
or imprisoned in fair lives than
both, in the judgment of the Justice of
the Peace before whom the case may
be tried.

Old Coin Catalogue.

Will you kindly send me a catalogue of the premiums given on old
coin?

Tw. M.
Roanote. Va.
Will you kindly send me a catalogue of the premiums given on old
coin.

The peace before whom the case may
be tried.

Old Coin Catalogue.

Will you kindly send me a catalogue of the premiums given on old
coin.

The time section of Carnegle Halling Ray

Will you kindly send me a catalogue of the premiums given on old
coin.

The settle a dispute, please give
methologues most in use. These you may
purchase fit you so desire.

Strength of Turkish Army.
Please tell me what is the available strength of the Turkish army.

Scale and the section of Carnegle Halling Ray

West Fifty-Seventh Street, near
Seventh Avenue.

Shakespearean Parts Once More.

I have been much interested in the
class than seed in your coltum. Please tell me how long is the
part of King Lear and how it ranks
compared with other parts.

Lear has 7710 lines, whileh is the
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CITIZEN,
S. Lear has 710 lines was printed i

Eggleston's Plurality.
Please give me the plurality of J.
Please give me the plurality of J.
Eggleston in the recent election. 34,411. This vote was printed The Times-Dispatch of yesterday.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir,—Isn't it a fact that time and
sgain the claim has been made that all
of the dangerous portion of football
has been eliminated, yet the number of
deaths seem to be more and more each encourage this game, which has rules thought out and planned and which carry with them the certainty of death,

thought out and planned and which carry with them the certainty of death, would express a disgust for a young man who would yield to his appetite and meet his death from whiskey?

Is it not a fact that colleges are likely to have more students when they have a clever ball team?

Is it not true that many parents have to deny themselves of the necessaries of life in order to send their boys to college, and then much of the

Prohibit Football!

Is it not true that many persons who

of size. He told of this as illustrating one of the branches farmers in this

Superintendent Eggleston and Presi-dent Barringer will at that meeting give us their ideas as to the proper course of study for these new schools, course of study for these new schools, and others who have had practical ex-perience will take part in the discus-sion of various phases of the general

All persons interested in agricultural and industrial education are invited, GEORGE C. ROUND, President of Association.

Manassas, November 22. Descendants of Pocahontus.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch;
Sir,—It was suggested to-day that I write to ask if through your columns we could try to invite correspondence so as to try to fill as far as possible the lines of the Pocahontas descendants from where latter Wyndhen Pot ertson's book left off to now.

experience that the writer is in an old rut and does not realize it and does not get out because he doesn't know how. Please understand I am not writing to criticize Mr. Cousins, but to call attention especially to some of the things I know can be and are being done in the sections of country alluded to.

First—Splendid hay can be raised on the leads alluded to and as fine corn ants from where Judge Wyndham Robarranged the names so they are readarranged the names so they are read-lly and quickly followed to the orig-inal Bolling brother and five sisters; also divided the descendants of each. Any courtesy the jadles wills appre-ciate, as they feel this may be a very First—Splendid hay can be raised on the lands alluded to and as fine corn as one could wish to see. Many of the hill sections are adapted to fruits and the best of pasture as well, where thousands of cattle and sheep should be profitably raised every year, instead of broom sedge, scrub pines, etc. At a farmers' meeting held a few miles from Nathalie on Thursday, November 18, a farmer brought for the helpful historical work. MRS. A. OWEN. 2123 Eighteenth Street, N. W., Wash-

The Battle Abbey.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch;

Sir,—I have been trying to keep up
with the Battle Abbey, but cannot
form an idea as to when it will be
commenced or completed. If an old contract of others a mare and her live colts, as follows: one fine pair of horses, seven and eight years old; one fine pair of mules, five and six years; one yearling colt, and the mare in foal he would live to be 100, do you think one yearling colt, and the mare in foal he would live long enough to see it, again. T. O. Sandy, who told me of the above, said they were fine, breedy looking, practical animals, with plenty waynesboro, November 22.

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vember 18, a farmer brought for the

interest of others a mare and her five

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